1974—A VINTAGE YEAR

Rugby XV and our country cricketers, pride of place in the review of 1974 must go to Wycombe Wandseres. F.C. During the year they clinched the first ever Rothmans Isthmian League championship and last month reached the third round of the F.A. Cup for the

the fast six years they have consistently brought honoren back to town.

The beautiful properties of the properties of the consistency of the control of the county Championship questier-final main rate as their best-eave performance in their histories. The county cricketers had a mammoth task facing them when they travelled down to Casterbury to face Kent in the Gillette and gave Kent plenty of shocks before going down by avera wickets.

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Other highlights of the year were Jackie Priest's excellent performance in becoming the undisputed 1974 U.K. chamgion in the uninor girls cross-country while the same year saw the end of Errest Turents football and cricket clubs. Here's a month by month summary of 1974 - a vintage year for

Bucks nearly caused as uppet in the Regby Union County Championable, quarter final at Aylabury, when they were only beaten 10.0 by a star-studded Glucoseterbine side. On the squash sceee, Bucks lost their first match of the season, going down 3-2 to Herts.

Herts. Wycombe Wanderers made a great start to the new year. They crushed Hornchusch 3-0 in the list Amsteur Cup first round at Loakes Park and then flew 250 miles for their second round tie against Evenwood Town, whom they defeated 3-0. This was the first time Wanderers had over flown to a match, apart from club first time Wanderers had over flown to a match, apart from club

tours. Wanderers made history again when they played their first ever match at Loukes Park on a Sunday due to the fuel crisis and three-day week. As a treat for the 2,000 people who turned up for this match, the 'Blues' threshed Cerinthian Causais 7-0. Wanderers also overcame Parcikell Tows 4-1 in the Berks and Beack Senior Cup, quarter-final. Central defender Keth Mess signed on for Wycombe from Entitled.

Wycombe from Enfeld.

Mr. Norman Turner, managing director of Ernest Turners, announced that the firm's football club — members of the Hellenic League — would dishand at the end of the season. This decision came as a result of increasing flances and also a lack of playing members actually working at the firm.

FEBRUARY

Wycombe Phoenix Harriers Athletics Club took the limelight this month. The first success came when the slab emerged as new Southern Counties Intermediate champions, but this feat was overshadowed by their minor girls runner Jackle Priest. Jackle became the undisputed 1974 U.K. national cross-country cham-

became the undisputed 1974 U.S. national cross-country cham-pion when she won the minor girls race at the women's national championships at Leicester.

Frinces Risborough were stunned when they were asked by the Hellenic League to find football elsewhere at the end of the term because their facilities were not up to standard. Two Burnham players, Terry Walters and Mick Beavis were sent off as the side slipped to a 2-1 home defeat by Wantaga Town in the Hellenic

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For the second successive year, Wycombe Wanderers lifted the Berks and Bucks Senior Cup, when they recorded a 3-1 success over Slough Town in the final air Wokingham Town. Another pleasing point for Wanderers was the return of Keith Searle after a five-month lay-off because of damaged kine ligaments. He came on as substitute in the Premier Midweck Ploodlight League match at home to Cheham United which finished 1-1.

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Marlow stormed to victory in the Bucks County R.F.U. sevens
final at Besconsfield by beating Old Windsorisas 18-14, after
trailing by 10 points. A superb all-round performance asw High

Wanderers' F.A. Cup heroics the highlight of a memorable year

Wycombe R.F.C. noith their highest score for several years when they crushed University Vandals 56-9.
System men's doublist seam made sure of the Wycombe Badminton League Division One title when they overpowered Wanderser 7-2, Flackwell Feath added another trophy to their shiff when their under 165 aide defeated Totterdage Athletic 2-0 in the Wycombe Miner Football League Subidatory Cup final.

A superb month for local sport was highlighted by Wanderers clinching the first ever Rethmans isthman League Division One when they played superbly to overwhelm Lesyonation 3-0 at Loakee Park. This was Wanderers' third championship in four years. The Blues also claimed the Premier Midweck Floodlight Cangue, Section 'A' and then climated an eventful month with a tour of Cypraw, where they recorded two victories and one defeat.

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Alec Watson of Tylers Green secured the Wycombe Table Tennis League championship for the third year in succession when defeated Don Berry of J. T. Wade. On the badminton se-

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when nearest rivals Plackwell Heath sligned to a 2-1 defent against Chesham St. Mary, and Richardson Kovers was the Wyounbe Senior Cup when they beat Chesham St. Mary 2-0 in the record replys. Risborogale Contributes claimed the Wyounbe Sunday Combination Premier Division tile thanks to a 3-2 raccess over Lawood Allithette.

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7lhs. 6ozs, rainbow trout from Chew Valley Lake in Bristol. This was equal to the all-time record for the lake. Mycombe Wandeers decided to leave the P.M.F.L. and as a replacement will play more attractive friendlies. Peter Rogers, the former sistent manager with Reading, was appointed joint manager at Marlow with Dave Wigley, Challont St. Peter also appointed, a new hose when Derrick Jones was given the vacant

Wycombe Phoenis Hariers were eliminated from the British Athletes League "bye Gold Cup" competitions when they could only flink sixth out of eight teams in the semi-float. However, Lunw was better new from the Heriters integrated the Council of t

Wanderers' long serving player, Ian Rundle received a tabli-lighter at the club's dinner at the Brickmakers Arms for 10 years

service.

Other sports highlights included the Bucks bowls teams' defeat by Willshire at Bradford-on-Avon in the quarter-finals of the Middleton Cup. Wooburs Green ageler Keils Edmonds announced a scheme to form a 40-man Super League of professional anglers with big money inentries. Flackwell Heath Minone F.C. oeibbrated their most successful season with a precentation and party evening. The club wo mist reophies in all:

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Mariow Potestal Lub and a stort on eventure time in the Po-Cup. In the first preliminary round against Aylesbury United, they druw 3-3 but had Colin Reid sent off. Aylesbury's Sieve Bradshuw was also dismissed. Eventually in the second replay, Mariow won 1-0 and earned a place against Wycombe Wanderers in the first qualifying round. After a dull match, Marlow went down 1-0.

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Leatherhead.

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NOVEMBER

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Above: Steve Perrin stoops to head home one of Wycombe Wanderers' 96 goals last season during their Rothmans Lathman League championship triumph. Below: Bucks storm through onto a locae bell during their belliant performance against Gloucestershire in the County Championship quarter-final at Aylesbury

Bucks went down 10-0 but produced the county's best-ever performance.

